(a) whether it is a fact that Portugal has been permitted to set up a consulate in Goa.

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the names of the other countries which have asked for setting up consulates in Goa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) The comments from the State Government of Goa are awaited.

(c) Germany has been allowed to appoint an Honorary Consul General in Goa. There are no other pending requests.

**Kashmiri militants along line of actual control**

1501. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report which appeared in the 'Hindustan Times' of 8th June, 1992 that over 7000 Kashmiri militants who have received training in subversive activities and assisted by Afghan Mujahideens have started gathering along the line of Actual Control at Poonch, Rajouri, Hajipeer in Jammu, Uri and Kupwara in Kashmir;

(b) whether it is a fact that all the subversive training camps in Pak occupied Kashmir are being handed over to Afghan Mujahideens for guerrilla warfare training to Kashmiri militants;

(c) if answers to parts (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, what security measures Government have taken in this regard; and

(d) whether Government have taken up the matter with the Government of Pakistan in this regard; if so, with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) Yes, Sir. However, there is no corroborative information to indicate that Afghan Mujahideen are being deployed across the J&K border for infiltration alongwith Kashmiri militants.

(b) Government have no information in this regard.

(c) While there is no confirmed evidence of the presence of Afghan Mujahideen on our borders, deployment of security forces along the border has been strengthened. Patrolling and intelligence operations have been intensified.

(d) Government have, on several occasions and at various levels, urged Pakistan to stop its support and encouragement to terrorism directed against India. Despite assurance, this support continuing unabated.

**Government's agencies going abroad**

1502. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the first half of 1992 various Government agencies have gone abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether these visits by Government agencies were necessary?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Agreement between India nad Bangladesh on Tin Bigha**

1503. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any agreement was made between India and Bangladesh regarding giving of TIN BIGHA in 1974 and 1982; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The 1974 Land Boundary Agreement, *inter-alia*, refers to the leasing in perpetuity to Bangladesh of an area of 178 metres x 85 metres near "Tin Bigha" to connect Dahagram with Panbari Mouza (P.S. Patgram) of Bangladesh. The 1982 Agreement sets out the terms of the lease in perpetuity of Tin Bigha.

**Haj delegation to Saudi Arabia**

1504 SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had sent a Haj Delegation to Saudi Arabia at the time of Haj this year;

(b) if so, what are the names of the members of the delegation;

(c) what are the particulars of the persons who had requested to be included in the said delegation;

(d) whether requests had also come from MPs, Ex-MPs, M.L.A.s and Ex M.L.As; and

(e) on what criterion the selection was made and by whom?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Two statements are attached (*See* below).

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) There are no specific criteria laid down for selection of members. However, Government selects eminent Muslims as members taking into account the principle of regional representation and the interest taken by the individual in the welfare our Haj pilgrims The composition was finalised in the Ministry of External Affairs with the approval of the Prime Minister.

**Statement-I**

***Composition of Government of India's Haj Goodwill Delegation to Saudi Arabia for Haj 1992; the delegation left Bombay for Jeddah on 4-6-1992.***

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| 1. | Shri Khurshid Alam Khan, Governor of Karnataka | Leader |
| 2. | Shri Salamatullah, Chairman, Haj Committee, Bombay | Deputy Leader |
| 3. | Prof. Javed Khan, Housing Minister, Govt. of Maharashtra, Bombay | Member |
| 4. | Prof. Saifuddin Soz, Ex-M.P., J&K | " |
| 5. | Prof. M. Khelilullah, Director, G.B. Pant Hospital, New Delhi | " |
| 6. | Shri Hafiz Mohd. Siddiq, Ex-M.P., Moradabad (UP) | " |
| 7. | Shri M.A. Sayeed Deputy Chairman, West Bengal State Haj Committee, President, Unani Medicine Council, Calcutta | " |
| 8. | Dr. C.M. Habeedullah, Professor Gastro-Entrology, Osmania University, Hyderabad | " |
| 9. | Shri Anwar Hussain, Minister of State for Planning Development and Finance, Govt. of Assam | " |
| 10. | Shri P.K. Khunhali Kutty, Minister of Industry and Social Welfare, Govt. of Kerala, Trivandrum | " |
| 11. | Shri Ramzan Khan Minister of State for Wakf, Sheep Wool and Army Personnel Welfare Deptt., Govt. of Rajasthan, Jaipur | " |
| 12. | Maulana Ahmed Ali Quasmi, Delhi. | " |
| 13. | Shri I.M. Bhana | Member-Secretary |